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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6088

BILL NUMBER: SB 52

DATE PREPARED: Feb 3, 1999

BILL AMENDED: Feb 1, 1999

SUBJECT: Train Crossing Warning Signals.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill provides that the cost of maintaining a train activated warning signal shall be reimbursed by the Department of Transportation. It requires that the Department pay the lesser of the cost of maintaining the train activated warning signal or one thousand dollars (\$1000). The bill directs the Department to adopt rules.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) reports there are 535 train activated warning signals at a railroad grade crossing a state highway. The railroad industry reports that the actual annual cost of maintaining a train activated warning signal ranges between \$1,600 and \$3,000. The provisions of this bill require the INDOT to pay the lesser of the cost of maintaining the train activated warning signal or \$1,000. For the INDOT, there would be an annual expenditure of \$535,000. The fund affected is the State Highway Fund. The INDOT is required to adopt rules to establish the documentation that a railroad must submit to the INDOT to receive reimbursement.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Department of Transportation.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Dennis Faulkenberg, Deputy Commissioner and Chief Financial Officer of the

Department of Transportation, 232-1472.